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- Vice-President Eickeneyer has been absent from the Berlin Police Prasidium since 14 October 1949. He now lives in the villa formerly occupied by Police General Richard Stainer at the time when he was Chief of Police for Brandenburg; it is therefore assumed that Eickemeyer has taken over Staimer's former position.
- Since Eickeneyer's departure, Vice-President Richard Gyptner has been acting as Police President of East Berlin, occupying President Paul Markgraf's former office.
- Abteilung AK (the Berlin equivalent of K 5) is undergoing a large-scale reor-3. ganization. There was a personnel turn-over amounting to about sixty per cent. during the third week of October. Reinhold Knoppe, the chief of AK, has been absent from the Prasidium most of the time, allegedly because he has been in conference with Erich Mielke, Vice-President of the GAI.\*
- The chief of the police motor pool has stated that he took Paul Markgraf and Ottomar Pech, head of the Schutzpolizei, to the Schönefeld airfield early in October. They were accompanied by several high-ranking officials of the GAI. 25X1A

Comment: It is reported that K 5 is being reorganized in such a way as to replace present personnel with staluart Communists and to create an independent establishment outside the framework of the Criminal Police and centrally controlled by a zonal headquarters. Mielke may perhaps be the head of this new set-up.

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Comment: Schönefeld is the airfield used for regularly scheduled flights to Warsaw and Moscow. This seems to be partial confirmation of the that Markgraf and Pech have gone to Moscow for a training course <u> 25</u>X1A

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